

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions, aviation organizations, community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2014 Ohio Airports Economic Impact Study, general aviation airports in Ohio support 17,497 jobs, \$688 million in annual payroll and contribute more than \$1.8 billion to the state's economy. According to the same source, fractional aircraft companies, including NetJets, MaxFlight and Flight Options employ more than 1,400 Ohio workers; and

WHEREAS, Ohio has a total of 150 public-use general aviation airports, serving 15,586 pilots and 6,319 active general aviation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is home to 137 repair stations, 19 FAA-approved pilot schools, 2,856 student pilots and 2,981 flight instructors. In addition, there are 122 fixed-base operators in the state and 740 heliports in Ohio; and

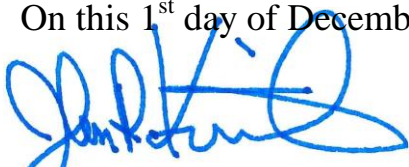
WHEREAS, many communities in Ohio depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize December 2016 as

**GENERAL AVIATION
APPRECIATION MONTH**

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to join us in its observance.

On this 1st day of December 2016;



John R. Kasich
Governor



Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

